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Airfields

1. The most important airfield for jet planes is located at Kamenets (N 43-20, E 25-00). A jet-pilot school is also located there.
2. The second most important airfield for jet planes is located near Gabrovnitsa village (N 43-32, E 23-16).
3. The runways at the small airfield near Yambol (N 42-29, E 26-25) are being extended.

Military Service

4. Artillery officers are being called for further specialized training to the artillery school near Samokov (N 42-20, E 23-34).
5. On 26 November 1953 reservists, age groups 35 to 42, from villages in the Radomir and Samokov areas returned from their 60-day annual military training. Their outward appearance without coats, many without shoes, and all blue from the cold was more that of prisoners than of soldiers.
6. Because the peasants were furious at having been called up during the season, there were several cases of disobedience and trials during the 60-day period. Approximately ten percent of the peasants' horses, which were also mobilized, were retained and paid for at government prices.

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